

THE TORRINGTON COMPANY
WAHALLA, SOUTH CAROLINA

The Torrington Company Walhalla, South Carolina facility is a division of Ingersoll-Rand and manufactures needle bearings for the automotive industry. Torrington will complete the requirements for ISO14001 certification in July 2001 and is a charter member of EPA's WasteWiSe Program. In conjunction with the 33/50 Program, Torrington collaborated in an effort to develop innovative technologies including cadmium and chromium recovery from electroplating rinse waters and in-house methods for recycling coolants and lubricants.

ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

Past Accomplishments

The Torrington Company Walhalla facility has demonstrated its commitment to environmental performance in the areas of hazardous and non-hazardous waste reduction. From 1998 to 2000, the facility:

- **Reduced nonhazardous waste** by implementing a program to return used oil to vendor to be filtered and reused.
- **Reduced energy use** through improved ventilation within the heat treat area, which in turn reduced cooling needs and through installing energy efficient lighting, air compressors, and chillers.

Future Commitments

The Walhalla facility also committed to continued environmental improvement through additional reductions in waste generation, as well as water and energy use. By 2003, the facility will:

- **Reduce water use** through continued implementation of a water conservation program.
- **Reduce hazardous waste generation** by considering switching to a low-flash-point solvent.
- **Reduce nonhazardous waste generation** per pound of product by buying chemicals in bulk in returnable totes rather than in disposable barrels.
- **Reduce energy use** by upgrading to a more efficient HVAC system.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Torrington Company Walhalla facility uses its Web site to make the company's environmental information available to the public.

At a Glance

Industry Sector:	Motor Vehicles and Parts
Business:	Manufactures needle bearings for automotive industry
Facility Employees:	100-499
Accomplishments:	Reduced nonhazardous waste Reduced energy use
2003 Commitments:	Reduce water use Reduce hazardous waste Reduce nonhazardous waste Reduce energy use
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